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Topic I:

Determinant and its
Properties.

→ Determinant:-

"The determinant is a scalar value that can be computed from the elements of square matrix and encodes certain properties of the linear transformation described by the matrix."

OR Simply,

The quantity obtained by addition of product of element of square matrix according to specified rule.

It is denoted by $\det(A)$, $\det A$ or $|A|$. It occurs throughout mathematics

Generally, If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, then

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} \\ = ad - bc = \det A.$$

This determinant may be positive, negative or zero - i.e. it is not associated with absolute value at all

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Example :

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, then what is $\det A$.

Solution:-

$$\begin{aligned} \det A &= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 2(1) - (0)(5) \\ &= 2 - 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\det A = 2}$$

→ Properties of Determinant:-

There are the following main properties of determinant that are useful as they permit us to generate same results with the simple computation of entries.

Important Properties of Determinant:-

• Reflection Property:

The determinant remains unaltered when its rows are changed into columns and columns into rows i.e. $|A| = |A^t|$.

Generally:- If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

$$|A| = ad - bc$$

then $A^t = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$

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$$|A^t| = ad - bc.$$

Example :-

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 2 = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow A^t = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A^t| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 2 = 1$$

Hence, $|A| = |A^t|$.

• All-zero Property :-

If all elements of a row (or a column) are zero then determinant would be zero.

Generally, If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & b \end{vmatrix} = 0(b) - a(0) = 0.$$

Example :

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{then } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

expand by row 1 :-

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$$= 3(0-0) - 1(0-0) + 2(0-0)$$

$$\det A = 0.$$

Hence determinant would be zero.

• Proportionality (Repetition) property:-

If all elements of a row (or column) are proportional (identical) to elements of some other row (or column), then determinant would be zero.

Generally, if $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\det A = a_1(b_2 a_3 - a_2 b_3) - a_2(b_1 a_3 - a_1 b_3)$$

$$+ a_3(a_2 b_1 - a_1 b_2)$$

$$= a_1 b_2 a_3 - a_1 a_2 b_3 - a_2 b_1 a_3 + a_2 a_1 b_3$$

$$+ a_3 a_2 b_1 - a_3 a_1 b_2 = 0.$$

Example:-

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{then } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(6-0) - 2(3-0) + 3(2-6)$$

$$= 18 - 6 - 6$$

$$= 18 - 18 = 0.$$

• Switching Property:-

The interchange of any two rows (or columns), then determinant changes its

sign. Generally, $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$.

then $|A| = ad - bc$.

$\Rightarrow A' = \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ a & b \end{bmatrix}$ (interchange of R_1 & R_2)

$$|A'| = -ad + bc = -(ad - bc)$$

Hence $-|A| = +|A'|$.

Example, If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\text{then } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 2(2) - 3(1) = 4 - 3 = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow A' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A'| = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 3 - 4 = -1.$$

• Scalar-multiple property:

If all elements of a row (or column) of a determinant are multiplied by non-zero constant then determinant get multiplied with same constant.

Generally, if $A = \begin{bmatrix} Ka_1 & b_1 \\ Ka_2 & b_2 \\ Ka_3 & b_3 \end{bmatrix}$.

$$\text{then } |A| = \begin{vmatrix} Ka_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ Ka_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ Ka_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

expand by c_1 ,

$$\begin{aligned}
&= K a_1 (b_2 c_3 - b_3 c_2) - K a_2 (b_2 c_3 - c_2 b_3) \\
&\quad + K a_3 (c_2 b_3 - b_2 c_3) \\
&= K [a_1 (b_2 c_3 - b_3 c_2) - a_2 (b_2 c_3 - c_2 b_3) \\
&\quad + a_3 (c_2 b_3 - b_2 c_3)] \\
&= K |A|.
\end{aligned}$$

Example:- If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

then $|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 8 - 3 = 5.$

Now by multiplying C_1 by 2, A becomes

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A'| = 16 - 6 = 10 = 2 \times 5.$$

Hence, determinant is of 2 times.

Sum Property:-

Generally,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 + b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 + b_3 & c_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ b_3 & c_3 & d_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

Example:-

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2+1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3+1 & 1 & 2 \\ 4+0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

L.H.S:-

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2+1 & 0 & 3 \\ 3+1 & 1 & 2 \\ 4+0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 3(1-4) + 3(8-4) = -9 + 12 = 3.$$

R.H.S:-

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= [2(1-3) + 3(6-4)] + [1(1-4) + 3(2)] = [-6 + 6] + [-3 + 6] = 3.$$

Hence L.H.S = R.H.S.

• Property of Invariance:-

Generally,

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 + \alpha b_1 + \beta c_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 + \alpha b_2 + \beta c_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 + \alpha b_3 + \beta c_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

That is, a determinant remains unaltered under an operation of form:

$$C_i \rightarrow C_i + \alpha C_j + \beta C_k.$$

Example:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 1(-1) + 2(1) = 1.$$

Now if $\alpha = 2, \beta = 4$ then determinant becomes:-

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1+0+8 & 0 & 2 \\ 1+0+4 & 0 & 1 \\ 2+2+12 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 9 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 16 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 9(-1) + 2(5) = 1$$

• Multiplicative Property:-

In multiplicative property of determinant we have $|AB| = |A||B|$

Generally,

$$\text{if } A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} a_3 & a_4 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{L.H.S.:- } AB = \begin{bmatrix} a_1a_3 + a_2b_3 & a_1a_4 + a_2b_4 \\ b_1a_3 + b_2b_3 & b_1a_4 + b_2b_4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$|AB| = \begin{vmatrix} a_1a_3 + a_2b_3 & a_1a_4 + a_2b_4 \\ b_1a_3 + b_2b_3 & b_1a_4 + b_2b_4 \end{vmatrix}$$

R.H.S.:-

$$|A||B| = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a_3 & a_4 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_1a_3 + a_2b_3 & a_1a_4 + a_2b_4 \\ b_1a_3 + b_2b_3 & b_1a_4 + b_2b_4 \end{vmatrix}$$

Hence, from L.H.S & R.H.S

$$|AB| = |A||B|.$$

Example:-

$$\text{if } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

L.H.S.:-

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \times 1 + 0 \times 1 & 2 \times 2 + 0 \times 3 \\ 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 & 1 \times 2 + 1 \times 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 + 0 & 4 + 0 \\ 1 + 1 & 2 + 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = 10 - 8$$

$$= 2.$$

R.H.S.

$$|A||B| = \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= [2(1) - 0][3 - 2]$$

$$= (2)(1)$$

$$= 2.$$

Hence L.H.S = R.H.S.

• Triangle Property:-

If all elements of determinant above or below main diagonal consist of zeros, then determinant is equal to product of diagonal elements.

Generally,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ 0 & b_2 & b_3 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ 0 & b_2 & b_3 \\ 0 & 0 & c_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= a_1 b_2 c_3$$

Example

$$\text{If } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } |A| &= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (1)(2)(1) \\ &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

Topic II:

Improper Integral.

→ Definition:-

An integral which is improper, is a definite integral that has either or both limits infinite or an integrand that approaches infinity for one or more points in range of integration”

$$\int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx.$$

They can however be defined as limits of integral;